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ABSTRACT

Provides information on state trees for each of the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Includes for each state: (1) year in which state tree was chosen; (2) common and scientific names of the tree; (3) arbor day observance; (4) address of state forester; and (5) drawings of the tree, leaf, and fruit or cone. (JN)



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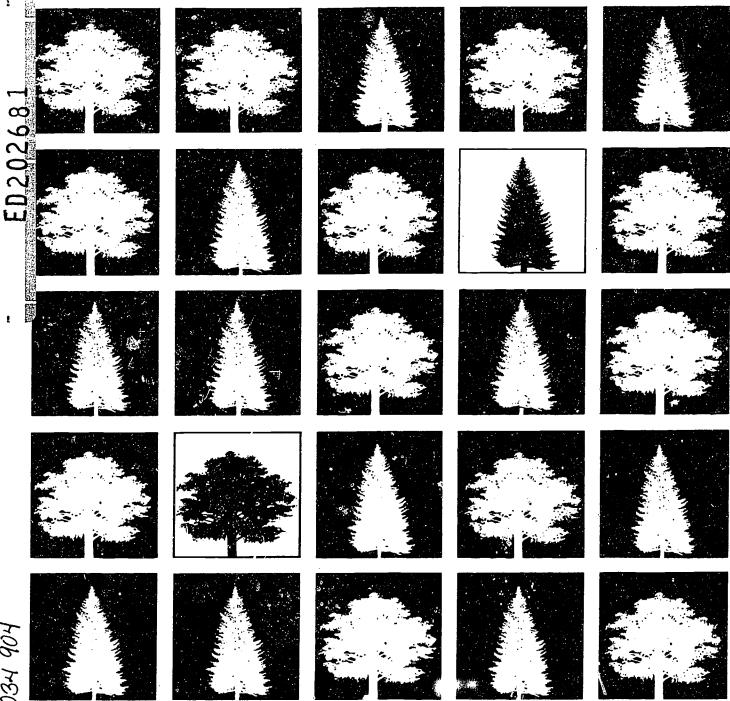
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State Trees and Arbor Days

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Each of the 50 States and the District of Columbia has an officially designated State tree. Nineteen States have chosen conifers, or evergreen trees, and 29 States have chosen broadleaf trees, which shed their leaves in the fall. Two States, Florida and South Carolina, have selected a palm tree (Cabbage palmetto).

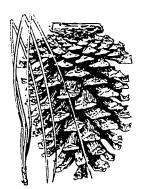
A few species are honored by more than one State. For example, white oak is the State tree of Connecticut, Illinois, and Maryland. In other States, more than one species is involved. Iowa, for example, has designated all species of oak as its State tree.

Arbor Day is a special day devoted to the planting of trees. It was founded in Nebraska on April 10, 1872, and was made a legal holiday by the Nebraska State legislature in 1885.

Today, every State recognizes Arbor Day. Either the State legislature sets aside a specific day for an Arbor Day observance, or the event is designated by Governor's proclamation or by the State Department of Education. Due to the variation in climatic conditions throughout the 50 States, a uniform date is not practical. Many have selected the last Friday in April, while others have set dates in the fall or winter.

State trees were carefully chosen to represent the individual States and the people who live there. The section on each State in this publication gives the year in which the State tree was chosen. This booklet also contains descriptions of these trees, the details on local Arbor Day dates, and the addresses of the State Foresters, who will gladly answer any questions about trees in your area. Trees are a resource of great beauty and value to our country. Please take this opportunity to learn more about them and to plant more trees for our future.

Alabama



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1949 southern pine (*Pinus* spp.) Last full week in February Alabama Forestry Commission 513 Madison Avenue Montgomery, AL 36130



Alaska



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1962 Sitka spruce (*Picea sitchensis* (Bong.) Carr.) Third Monday in May Division of Lands 323 East Fourth Avenue Anchorage, AK 99501



Arizona



Year Species Arbor Day Observance

State Forester

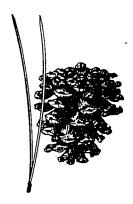
1954

Phoenix, AZ 85007

*paloverde: palo verde (Cercidium spp.)
Friday following April 1 in some counties,
Friday following February 1 in others.
State Land Department
1624 W. Adams



Arkansas



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1939
pine (*Pinus* spp.)
Third Monday in March
Arkansas Forestry Commission
3821 West Roosevelt Road
Little Rock, AR 72204



*Indicates common name approved by Forest Service followed by common name given in State law.



California





Giant sequoia

Year **Species**

Arbor Day Observance State Forester

1937, 1953

"California redwood," name given in State law for two species: redwood (Sequoia sempervirens (D. Don) Endl.) and giant sequoia (Sequoiadendron giganteum (Lindl.) Buchholz).

March 7-14 Department of Forestry Resources Building 1416 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814



Colorado

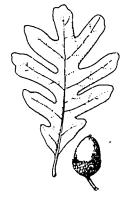


Year Species

Arbor Day Observance State Forester

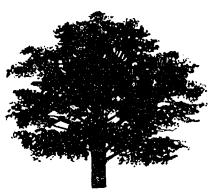
1939 (unofficial) *blue spruce; Colorado blue spruce (Picea pungens Engelm.) Third Friday in April Colorado State Forest Service Colorado State University Fort Collins, CO 80523



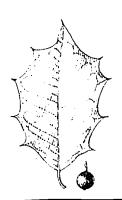


Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester

1947 white oak (Quercus alba L.) April 30 Forestry Unit Department of Environmental Protection 165 Capitol Avenue Hartford, CT 06115



Delaware

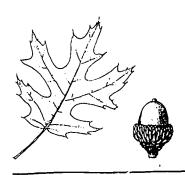


Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1939
American holly (*Ilex* opaca Ait.)
Last Friday in April
Delaware Department of Agriculture
Forestry Section
Drawer D
Dover, DE 19901

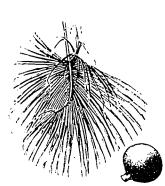


District of Columbia

Year Species Arbor Day Observance 1960 scarlet oak (Quercus coccinea Muenchh.) Last Friday in April



Florida



Year Species

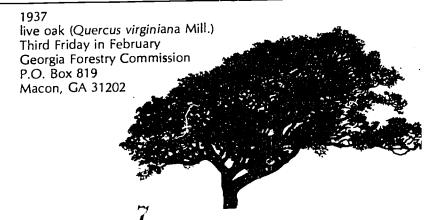
Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1953
*cabbage palmetto; cabbage palm (Sabal palmetto (Walt.) Lodd.)
Third Friday in January
Division of Forestry
Collins Building
Tallahassee, FL 32301



Georgia

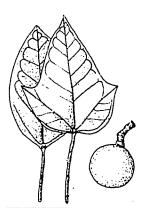


Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester





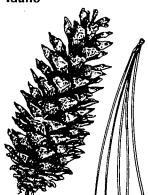
Hawaii



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1959 kukui; candlenut (Aleurites moluccana (L.) Willd.) First Friday in November Division of Forestry 1151 Punchbowl Street



Idaho



Year Species

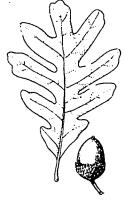
Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1935

Honolulu, HI 96813

*western white pine; white pine (*Pinus monticola* Dougl.)
Last Friday in April Idaho Department of Lands
State Capitol Building
Boise, ID 83720



Illinois



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1973
white oak (Quercus alba L.)
Last Friday in April
Division of Forestry, Cons. Area
600 North Grand Avenue West
NW Office Plaza
Springfield, IL 62707



Indiana

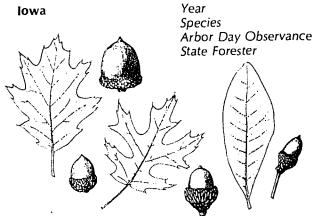


Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1931
*yellow-poplar; tuliptree (Liriodendron tulipifera L.)
Second Friday in April
Division of Forestry
613 State Office Building
Indianapolis, IN 46204

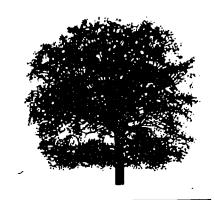




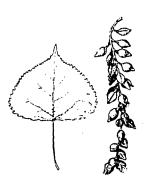
Iowa



1961 oak (Quercus spp.) Last Friday in April State Conservation Commission Wallace State Office Building Des Moines, IA 50319



Kansas



Year Species Arbor Day Observanc€ State Forester

1937 cottonwood (Populus spp.) Last Friday in March Forestry Building 2610 Clafin Road Manhattan, KS 66502



Kentucky



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester

1976 Kentucky coffeetree (Gymnocladus dioicus (L.) K. Koch) First Friday in April Kentucky Division of Forestry 618 Teton Trail Frankfort, KY 40601



Louisiana



Year Species

Arbor Day Observance State Forester

1963 baldcypress; cypress (Taxodium distichum (L.) Rich.) Third Friday in January Office of Forestry P.O. Box 1628 Baton Rouge, LA 70821



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Maine



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1945
*eastern white pine; white pine (*Pinus strobus* L.)
Third week in May
Bureau of Forestry
State Office Building
Augusta, ME 04333



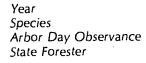
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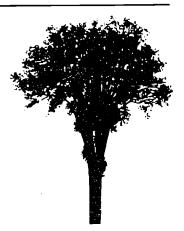
Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1941 white oak (Quercus alba L.) First Wednesday in April Forest & Park Services Tawes State Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401



Massachusetts



1941 American elm (*Ulmus americana* L.) April 30 Division of Forests and Parks 100 Cambridge Street Boston, MA 02202



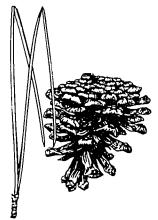


Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1955
*eastern white pine; white pine (Pinus strobus L.)
Third week in April
Forest Management Division
Michigan Department of Natural Resources
Stevens T. Mason Building
Box 30028
Lansing, MI 48909

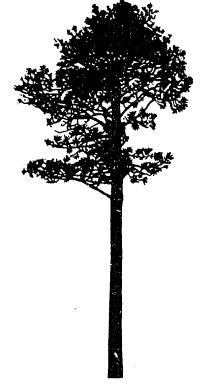




Minnesota



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1953
*red pine; Norway pine (Pinus resinosa Ait.)
Last Friday in April
Division of Forestry
Centennial Office Building
Box 44
St. Paul, MN 55155



Mississippi

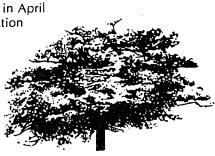


Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1938
*southern magnolia; magnolia (Magnolia grandiflora L.)
Second Friday in February
Mississippi Forestry Commission
908 Robert E. Lee Building
Jackson, MS 39201





Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1955
flowering dogwood (Cornus florida L.)
First Friday after the first Tuesday in April
Missouri Department of Conservation
2901 North Ten Mile Drive
P.O. Box 180
Jefferson City, MO 65102



Montana



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1949
ponderosa pine (*Pinus ponderosa* Laws.)
Last Friday in April
Division of Forestry
Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
2705 Spurgin Road
Missoula, MT 59801



Nebraska



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1972
cottonwood (*Populus* spp.)
April 22
Department of Forestry,
Fisheries & Wildlife
Institute of Agriculture and
Natural Resources
Rm. 101, Plant Industries
Building
University of Nebraska
Lincoln, NE 68583



Nevada



Year Species

Arbor Day Observance

State Forester

1953

*singleleaf pinyon; single-leaf piñon (Pinus monophylla Torr. & Frém.)

February 28 in southern Nevada, April 23 in Northern

Nevada

Division of Forestry 201 South Fall Street Carson City, NV 89701



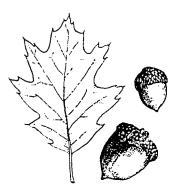
New Hampshire



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1947
*paper birch; white birch (Betula papyrifera Marsh.)
Last Friday in April
Division of Forests and Lands
Box 856, Christian Mutual Building
6 London Road
Concord, NH 03301

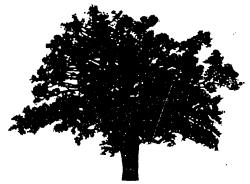


New Jersey



Year Species

Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1950
*northern red oak; red oak
(Quercus rubra L.)
Last Friday in April
Forestry Services
CN 028
Trenton, NJ



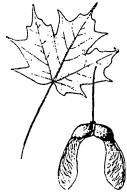
New Mexico



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1949
*pinyon; nut pine or pinon (*Pinus edulis* Engelm.)
Second Friday in March
Division of State Forestry
P.O. Box 2167
Santa Fe, NM 87503



New York

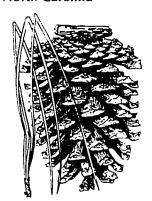


Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1956
sugar maple (Acer saccharum Marsh.)
Last Friday in April
Division of Lands & Forests
Department of Environmental Conservation
50 Wolf Road
Albany, NY 12233





North Carolina



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1963 pine (*Pinus* spp.) First Friday following March 15 Division of Forest Resources P.O. Box 27687 Raleigh, NC 27611



North Dakota



Year . Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1947 American elm (*Ulmus americana* L.) First Friday in May North Dakota State University First & Simrall Avenue Bottineau, ND 58318



Ohio

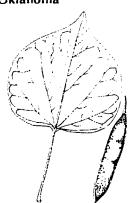


Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1953

*Ohio buckeye; buckeye (Aesculus glabra Willd.) Last Friday in April Division of Forestry Fountain Square Columbus, OH 43224



Oklahoma



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1937

*eastern redbud; redbud (Cercis canadensis L.)
Friday following the second Monday in February
Forestry Division
Oklahoma State Department of Agriculture
122 State Capitol Building
Oklahoma City, OK 73105







Oregon



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester

1939 Douglas-fir (Pseudotsuga menziesii (Mirb.) Franco; Last Friday in April Department of Forestry 2600 State Street Salem, OR 97310



Pennsylvania

Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester

1931

Harrisburg, PA 17120

*eastern hemlock; hemlock (Tsuga canadensis (L.) Carr.) Last Friday in April Bureau of Forestry 109 Evangelical Press Building Third & Reily Streets





Rhode Island

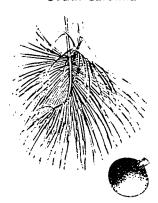


Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester

1964 red maple (Acer rubrum L.) Last Friday in April Division of Forest Environment Box 851, RFD #2 North Scituate, RI 02857



South Carolina



Year Species

Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1939

*cabbage palmetto; palmetto (Sabal palmetto (Walt.) Lodd.)

First Friday in December

South Carolina Commission of Forestry

P.O. Box 21707 Columbia, SC 29221



South Dakota



Year Species

Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1947

*white spruce; Black Hills spruce (Picea glauca (Moench)

Last Friday in April Division of Forestry

Department of Game, Fish

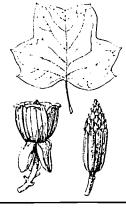
and Parks

Sigurd Anderson Building

Pierre, SD 57501



Tennessee



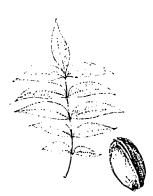
Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1947

*yellow-poplar; tulip poplar (Liriodendron tulipifera L

First Friday in March Division of Forestry 4711 Trousdale Drive Nashville, TN 37220



Texas



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1919

pecan (Carya illinoensis (Wangenh.) K. Koch)

Third Friday in January Texas Forest Service College Station, TX 77843





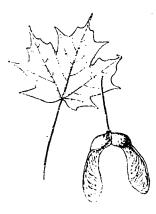
Utah



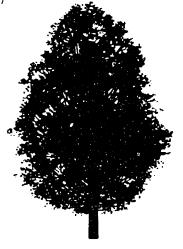
Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1933
blue spruce (*Picea pungens* Engelm.)
Third Friday in April
440 Empire Building
231 East Fourth South
Salt Lake City, UT 84111



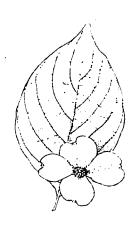
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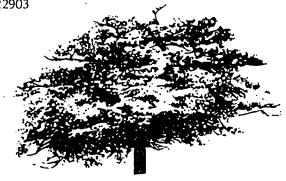
Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1949 sugar maple (Acer saccharum Marsh.) First Friday in May Department of Forests and Parks State Office Building Montpelier, VT 05602



Virginia



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1918, 1956
*flowering dogwood; dogwood (Cornus florida L.)
Second Friday in March
Virginia Division of Forestry
P.O. Box 3758
Charlottesville, VA 22903



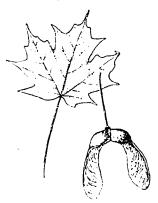


Washington

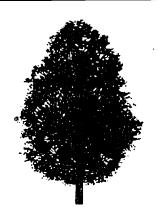


Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1947 western hemlock (*Tsuga heterophylla* (Raf.) Sarg.) Second Wednesday in April Department of Natural Resources Olympia, WA 98504

West Virginia



Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester sugar maple (Acer saccharum Marsh.) Second Friday in April Department of Natural Resources 1800 Washington Street, East Charleston, WV 25305



Wisconsin

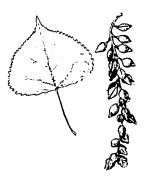


Year Species Arbor Day Observance State Forester 1949 sugar maple (Acer saccharum Marsh.) Last Friday in April Department of Natural Resources 101 S. Webster Street Madison, WI 53703





Wyoming



Year Species

Arbor Day Observance State Forester

1947, 1961

*plains cottonwood; cottonwood (Populus deltoides var. occidentalis Ryb.; P. sargentii Dode-scientific name given in State law.)

Last Monday in April Wyoming State Forestry Division 1100 West 22nd Street Cheyenne, WY 82002

